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SUBJECT: PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT: PRESIDENT LAUGERUD REPORTEDLY  
AGREES TO MODIFY PETROLEUM CODE

1. ON OCT 10 GROUP OF 15 LAWYERS REPRESENTING US PETROLEUM  
EXPLORATION COMPANIES MET WITH PRES. LAUGERUD, MINECON PALOMO  
AND DIRECTOR MINES HYDROCARBONS GODOY TO PRESENT VIEWS RE  
NEED MODIFY RECENTLY REVISED PETROLEUM CODE IN ORDER CLARIFY  
TAX PROVISIONS (SEE A-156). PRESIDENT REPORTEDLY  
ACCEPTED ARGUMENT AND REQUESTED LAWYERS PREPARE DRAFT LANGUAGE  
FOR REVISION, WHICH THEY WILL DO NEXT WEEK. LAUGERUD TOLD  
GROUP THAT AFTER CONTROL OF INFLATION, PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT  
WAS HIS TOP PRIORITY.

2. IN UNRELATED DEVELOPMENT, OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM REPORTEDLY  
HAS DECIDED TO REPLACE ITS LOCAL LAWYER (SEE MELOY-LAZAR  
LETTER) AND WILL NAME RESPECTED GUATEMALA LAWYER  
FEDERICO PINOL. PINOL HAS TOLD OTHER LAWYERS THAT OCCIDENTAL  
HAS AUTHORIZED HIM TO COOPERATE WITH ATTORNEYS OF OTHER  
COMPANIES.

DECONTROL AFTER 10/11/76.

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